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SLAUGHTER ON MORGUE AVENUE

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HIS FAMILY WAS MURDERED BY A PSYCHOPATH IN AN AGE WHERE JUSTICE CAN BE BOUGHT AND NO ONE BELIEVES IN OLD-FASHIONED PUNISHMENT ANYMORE... NO ONE EXCEPT JAKE GALLONS... A WEAPONS SPECIALIST IN THE PUBLIC EYE POLICE FORCE BY DAY, AT NIGHT HE IS INCORRUPTIBLE JUSTICE.

STAN LEE PRESENTS:

THE PUNISHER



YOU'RE ALL SCHEDULED FOR EXECUTION ANYWAY...

...YOU'VE JUST BROUGHT YOUR SENTENCES FORWARD!

SHOCK! NO! I TOLD YOU WE SHOULD HAVE STAYED BEHIND BARS... WE'D HAVE LIVED LONGER!

PLEASE, PUNISHER... DON'T SHOOT! WE'LL GO BACK TO OUR CELLS!

TOO LATE FOR THAT, LOSERS!

TIME TO DIE!



EXPLODED IN MY HANDS... THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE... THESE GUNS ARE FOOLPROOF!




WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

I'VE NEVER HAD
SUCH BAD LUCK
COME MY WAY...

COME
AND GET IT,
SEWER
RATS!

FATAL *Attraction*



LOOKS LIKE LADY
LUCK'S ON OUR SIDE!
LET'S TAKE THE PUNISHER
APART AND GET OUT OF
HERE!

YEAH--
BACK ON THE
STREETS WHERE
THE PICKINGS
ARE EASY!

NOT SO QUICK,
GUYS--WE WANT TO TAKE
OUR TIME OVER THIS.
LET'S MAKE THE PUNISHER
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I'VE BEEN HIT BY A
JONAH SYNDROME..
ALL MY MACHINERY'S
SCREWING UP..



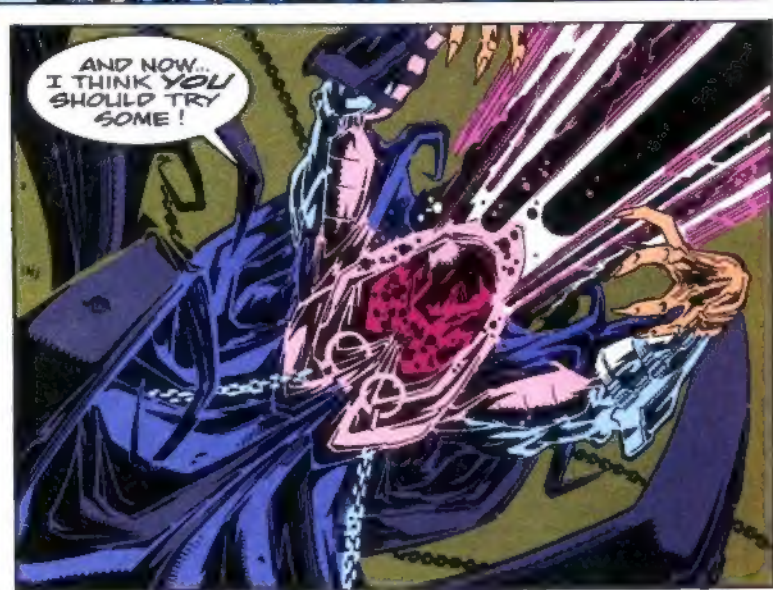
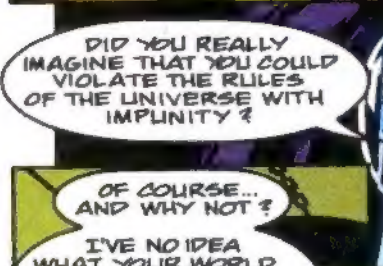
...BUT I DON'T NEED HIGH-
TECH TO PUNISH.. I CAN DO
IT ON HATE ALONE!

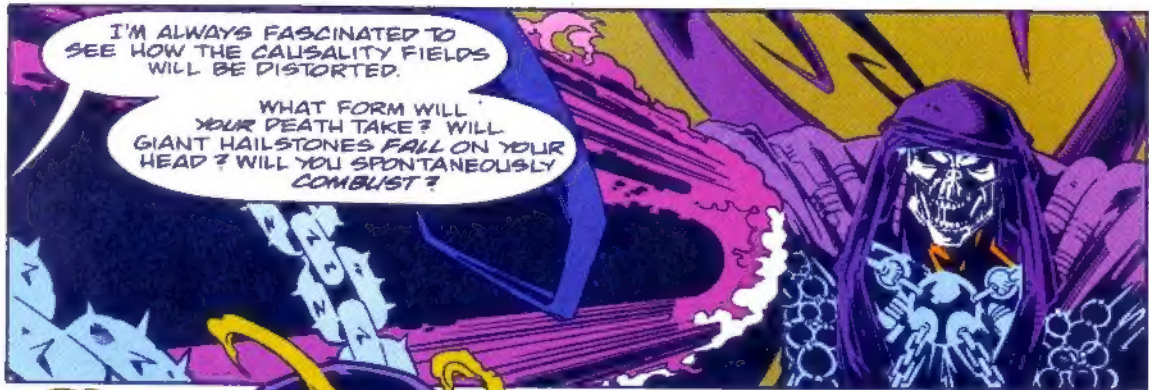
AUTO-TARGET
SHURIKEN..
BUT I'M NOT
GONNA RISK
SWITCHING
THEM ON..



...I'LL RELY ON GOOD
OLD-FASHIONED SKILL.

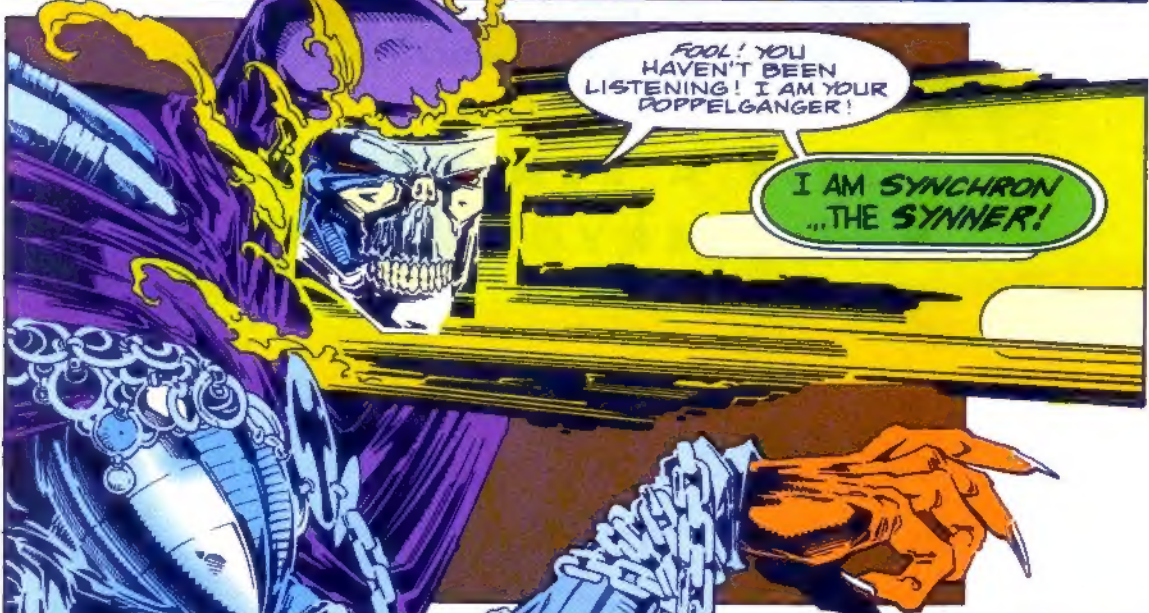
AAAAHHH!





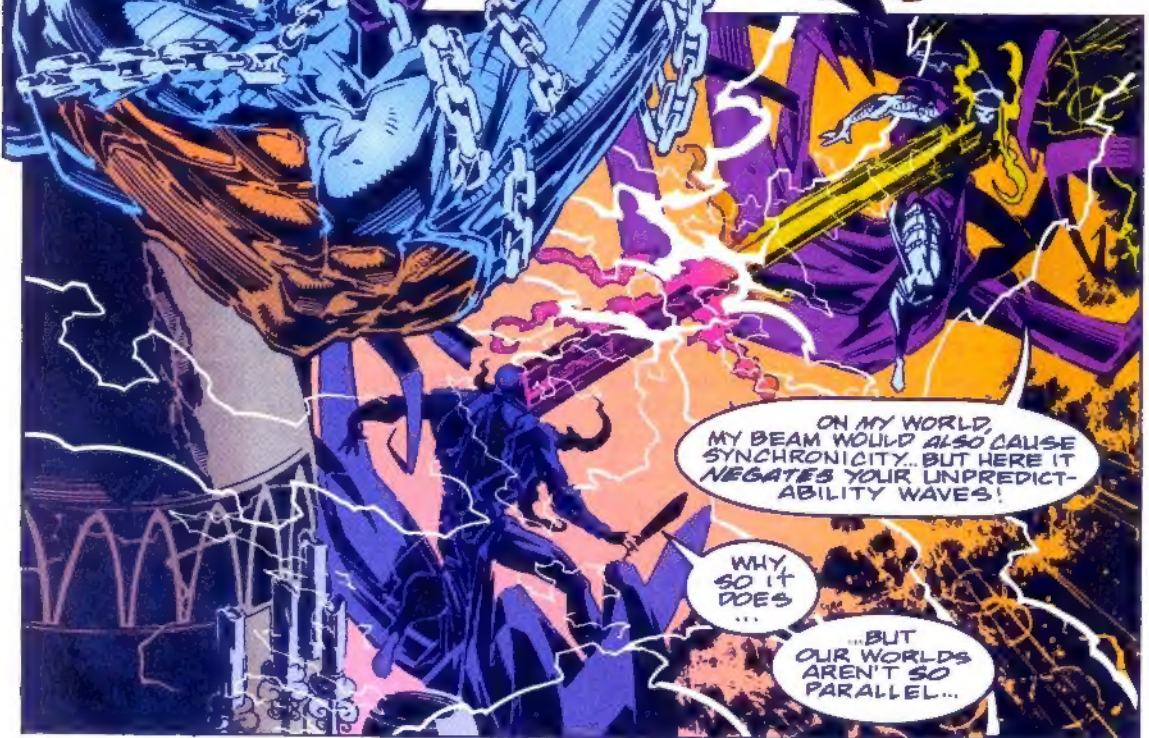
I'M ALWAYS FASCINATED TO SEE HOW THE CAUSALITY FIELDS WILL BE DISTORTED.

WHAT FORM WILL YOUR DEATH TAKE? WILL GIANT HAILSTONES FALL ON YOUR HEAD? WILL YOU SPONTANEOUSLY COMBUST?



FOOL! YOU HAVEN'T BEEN LISTENING! I AM YOUR DOPPELGÄNGER!

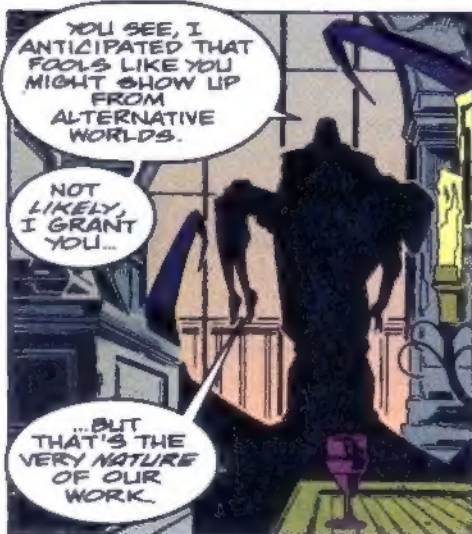
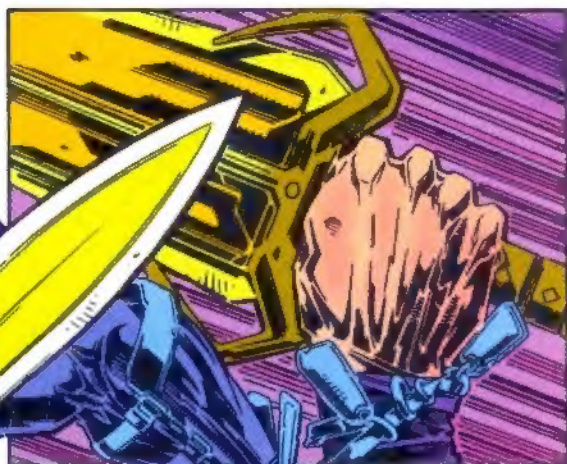
I AM SYNCHRON...THE SYNNER!



ON MY WORLD, MY BEAM WOULD ALSO CAUSE SYNCHRONICITY...BUT HERE IT NEGATES YOUR UNPREDICTABILITY WAVES!

WHY SO IT DOES

...BUT OUR WORLDS AREN'T SO PARALLEL...

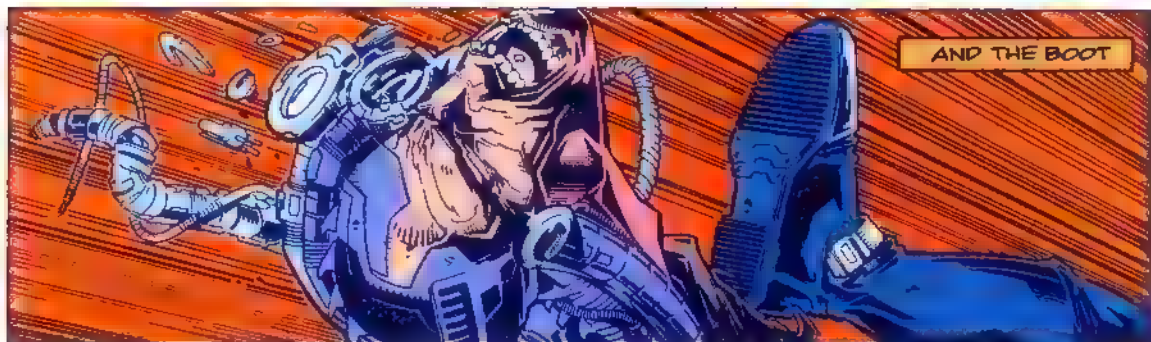




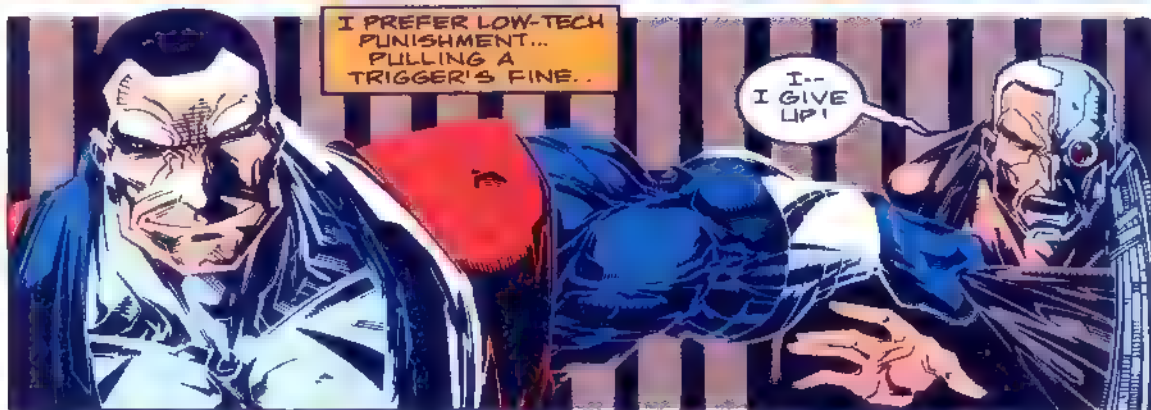
I'M NOT SO SURE THIS
WAS BAD LUCK.

I SOMETIMES
FORGET HOW
MUCH I
ENJOY MY
WORK

WITH THE
POWER BAT

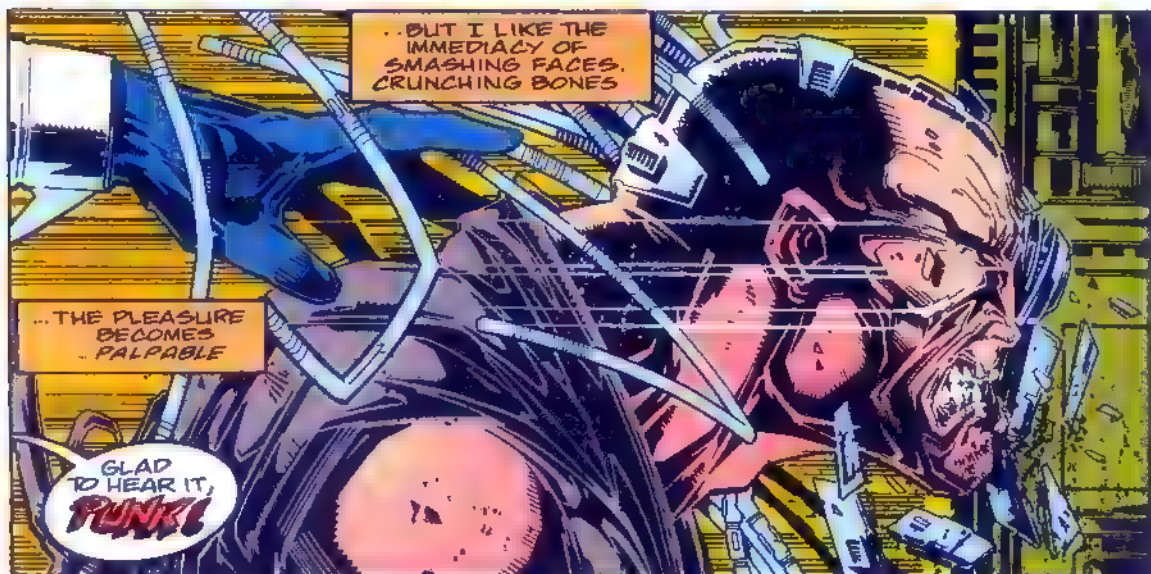


AND THE BOOT



I PREFER LOW-TECH
PUNISHMENT...
PULLING A
TRIGGER'S FINE..

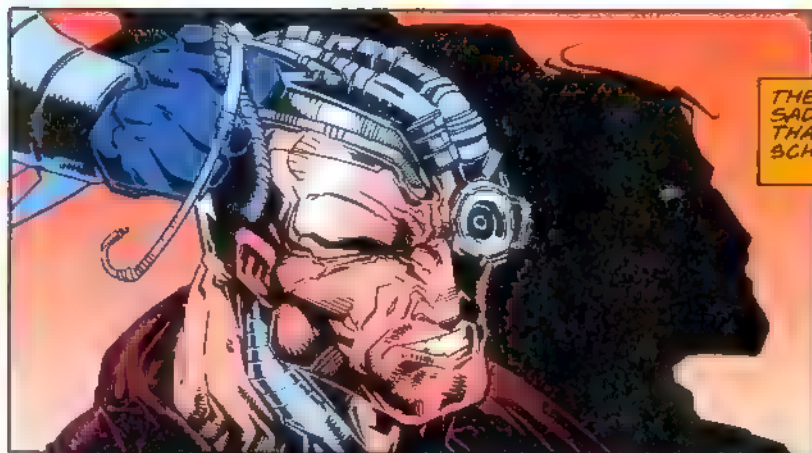
I--
I GIVE
UP!



..BUT I LIKE THE
IMMEDIACY OF
SMASHING FACES.
CRUNCHING BONES

...THE PLEASURE
BECOMES
PALPABLE

GLAD
TO HEAR IT,
PUNK!



THESE GUYS ARE ALL SADISTIC MURDERERS, THAT'S WHY THEY WERE SCHEDULED FOR THE CHAIR.

THE THOUGHT OF THEM ESCAPING AND ROAMING THE STREETS, BRINGS ON A SUDDEN... RAGE!



I GET SO ANGRY SOMETIMES.



NOW NEXT TIME THE SECURITY SYSTEM FAILS, YOU'LL JUST SIT IN YOUR CELLS AND WAIT FOR ME TO COME AND FIX IT...

...RIGHT?

UHHH...

I'M GOING BACK TO
MORGUE AVENUE

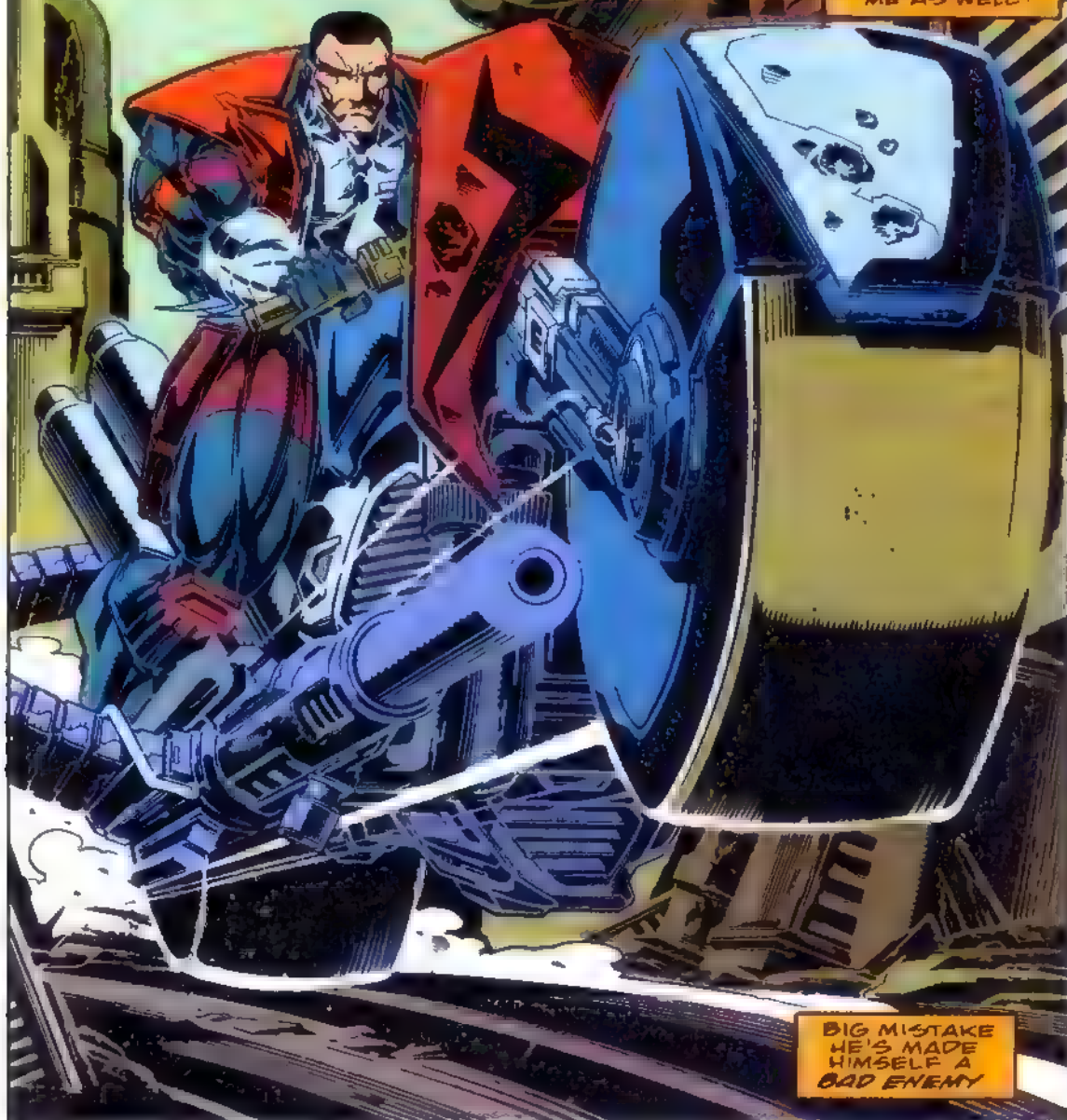
THOSE UNBELIEVABLE
MALFUNCTIONS COULDN'T
HAVE JUST OCCURRED
BY COINCIDENCE

MY GUESS IS, WHATEVER
HAPPENED THERE,
JUST HAPPENED TO ME

WHOEVER WAS RESPONSIBLE
FOR ALL THOSE BIZARRE
"ACCIDENTAL" DEATHS.

PEOPLE DROWNING IN
THEIR BATHROOMS BEING
HIT BY METEORITES

HAS TARGETED
ME AS WELL!



BIG MISTAKE
HE'S MADE
HIMSELF A
BAD ENEMY



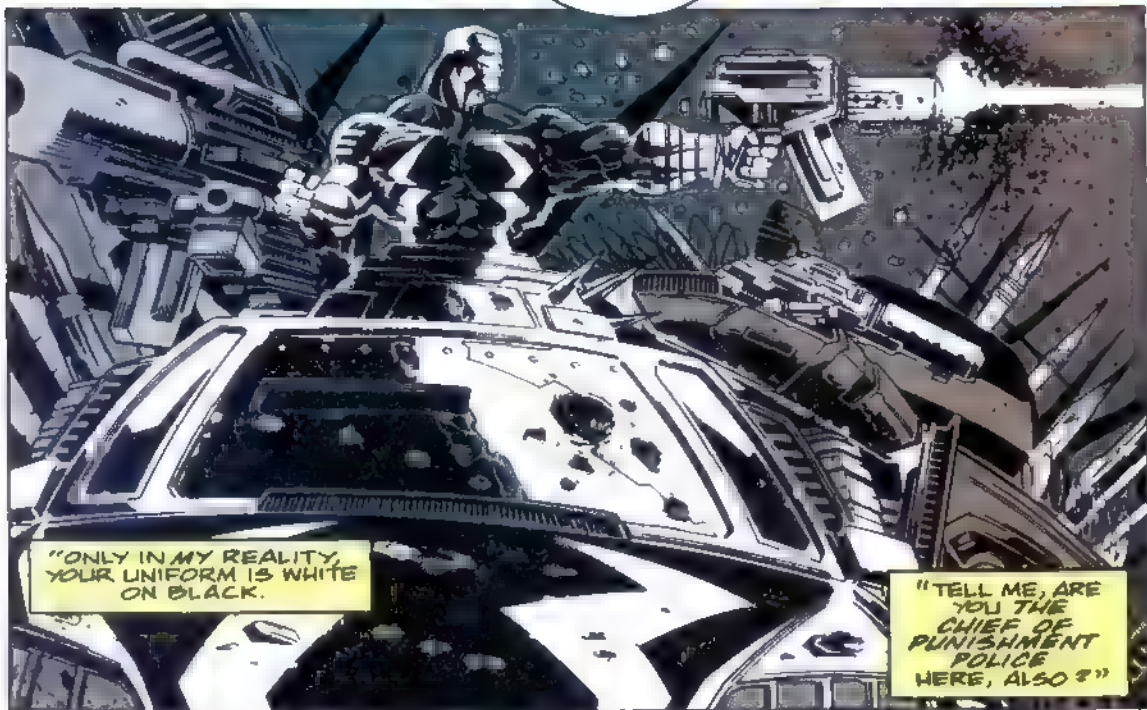
AT LAST!
YOU HAVE ARRIVED!
THEN ALL IS
NOT LOST AFTER
ALL!

I'VE NEVER SEEN
YOU BEFORE IN MY LIFE.
ARE YOU SURE IT'S NOT
YOU, THAT'S LOST?



NO, YOU
DON'T UNDERSTAND.
I RECOGNIZE YOU FROM
MY OWN WORLD.

...YOU'RE
THE
PUNISHER!



"ONLY IN MY REALITY
YOUR UNIFORM IS WHITE
ON BLACK."

"TELL ME, ARE
YOU THE
CHIEF OF
PUNISHMENT
POLICE
HERE, ALSO?"

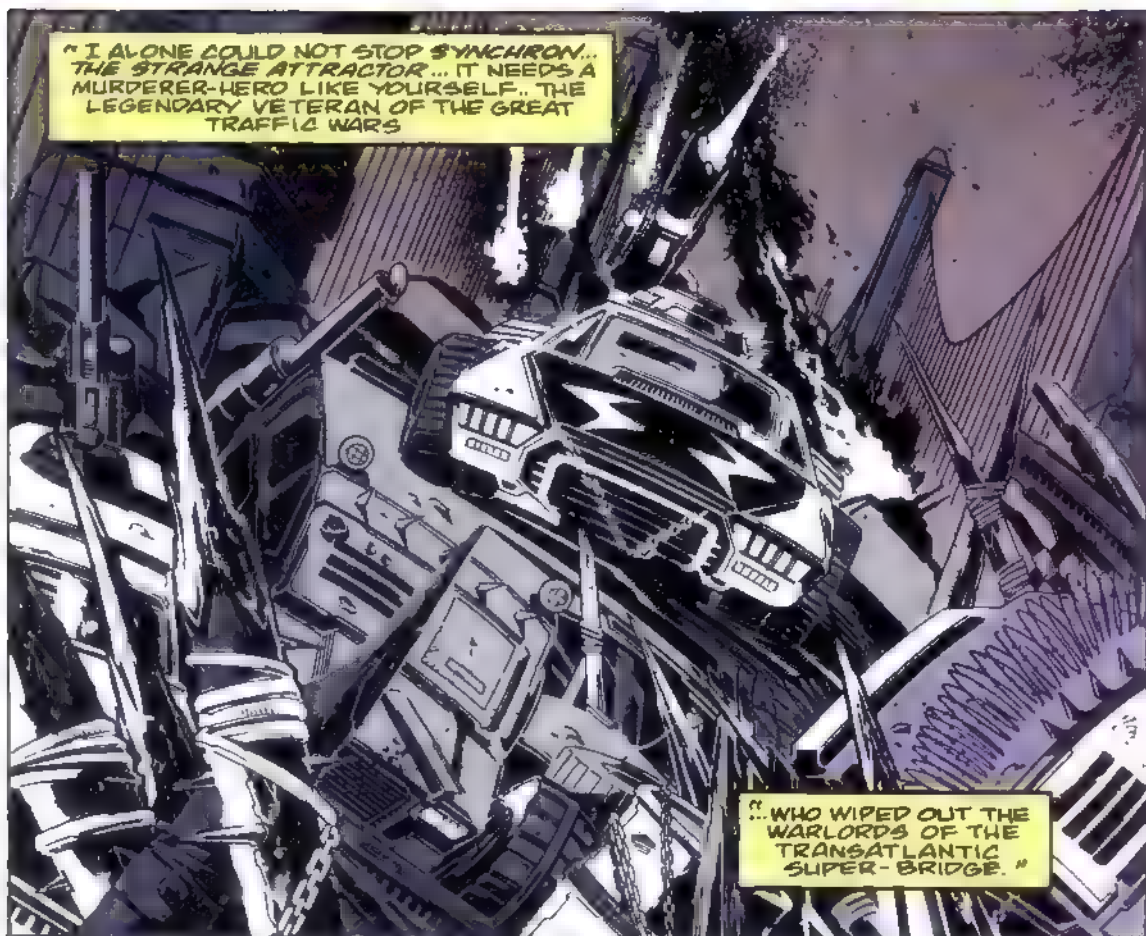
LOOK, YOU'RE RAMBLING...
I HAVEN'T GOT TIME TO
LISTEN TO THE RAVINGS OF
LUNATICS IN GRAVEYARDS

PERHAPS IT'S
DIFFERENT IN THIS
DIMENSION. PERHAPS
YOU'RE NOT JAKE
GALLOW'S HERE? AND
YOU NEVER
MARRIED THE HOLO-
ACTRESS, KERRY
DOWENN?

HOW COULD YOU
KNOW MY NAME AND...
KERRY? A HOLO-
ACTRESS!

SHOCK!
YOU'RE SERIOUS!
YOU'D BETTER FILL
ME IN QUICKLY...

YOU ARE THE INSTRUMENT
OF FATE... THE PLANET IS
HEALING ITSELF... IT'S SENT
THE PUNISHER!



"I ALONE COULD NOT STOP SYNCHRON...
THE STRANGE ATTRACTOR... IT NEEDS A
MURDERER-HERO LIKE YOURSELF... THE
LEGENDARY VETERAN OF THE GREAT
TRAFFIC WARS

"...WHO WIPED OUT THE
WARLORDS OF THE
TRANSATLANTIC
SUPER-BRIDGE."

WOHHH! MUCH AS I'D LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT MY COUNTER SELF AND HAVE A GUIDED TOUR TO YOUR DIMENSION, WE NEED TO GET BACK TO THIS REALITY...

LET'S KEEP IT SIMPLE... WHO'S THE BAD GUY? WHERE IS HE? AND HOW'S HE DOING IT?

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "WHERE IS HE?" YOU'RE OBVIOUSLY NOT THE PUNISHER FROM MY WORLD

THERE'S ONLY ONE BROKEN WINDOW UP THERE AND I CAME THROUGH IT!

YOU MUST STOP HIM BEFORE THE SYNCHRO-MESH IS RIPPED APART IT WILL BE THE END OF EVERY-THING!

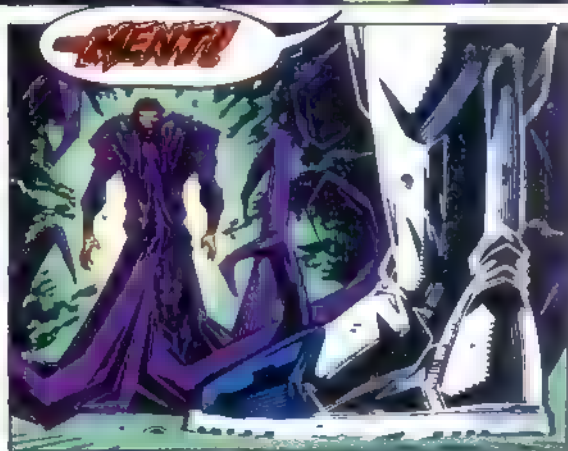
YOUR REALITY AND MINE!

NOW, GO DO THE WORK THE UNIVERSE HAS BESTOWED UPON US

HERE... TAKE MY SYNCHRO-MASK...

...I FEEL MY OWN WORLD DRAGGING ME BACK MY TIME HERE IS...

...OVER.



HAVING OBSERVED
THE FRACAS BELOW,
I SIMPLY AWAIT THE
TIRE SOME PUNISHER
TO MAKE ONE OF HIS
CLASSIC HEROIC
ENTRANCES

WHEN HE
DOES HE'LL FIND
ME READY

KROOOM!!

WHAT THE
SHOCK.?

KRAASSH!!

AH!
AN IMPRESSIVE
ENTRANCE! A
WORTHY ADVERSARY
AT LAST

MR JAKE
GALLOWES-- I
BELIEVE ?

SO MY
LAST SYNCHRO-
BLAST DIDN'T KILL
YOU!!!



.. BUT THIS ONE **KILL!**

AND I'LL JUST KEEP HITTING YOU UNTIL SOME FATAL ACCIDENT PUTS YOU OUT OF MY MISERY!

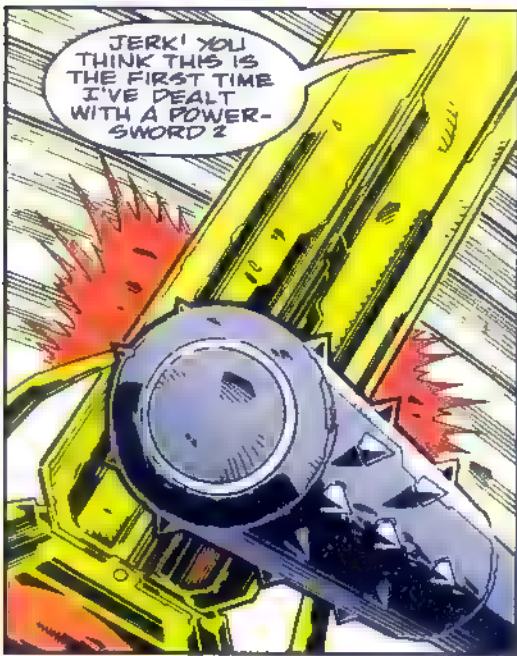


'FRAID NOT, SYNCHRON!



SO YOU HAVE MY COUNTERPART'S MASK, BUT LIKE HIM, YOU LACK THE **SYNCHRO-SABRE!**

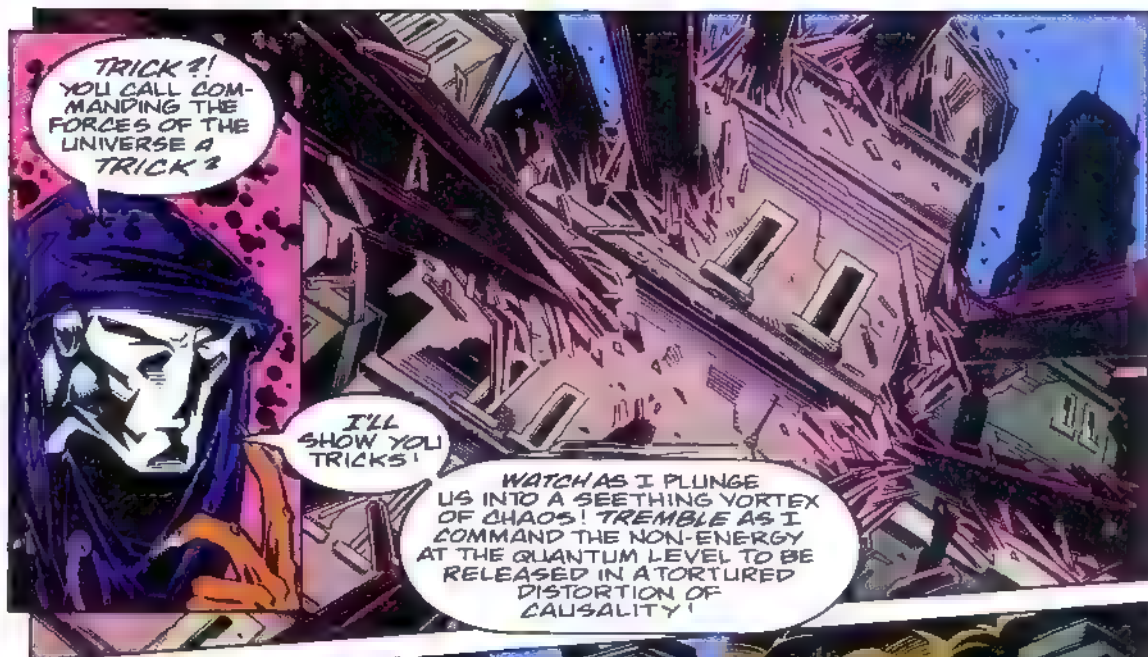
YOUR FLESH WILL LEAP APART AT ITS TOUCH!

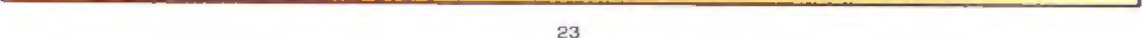
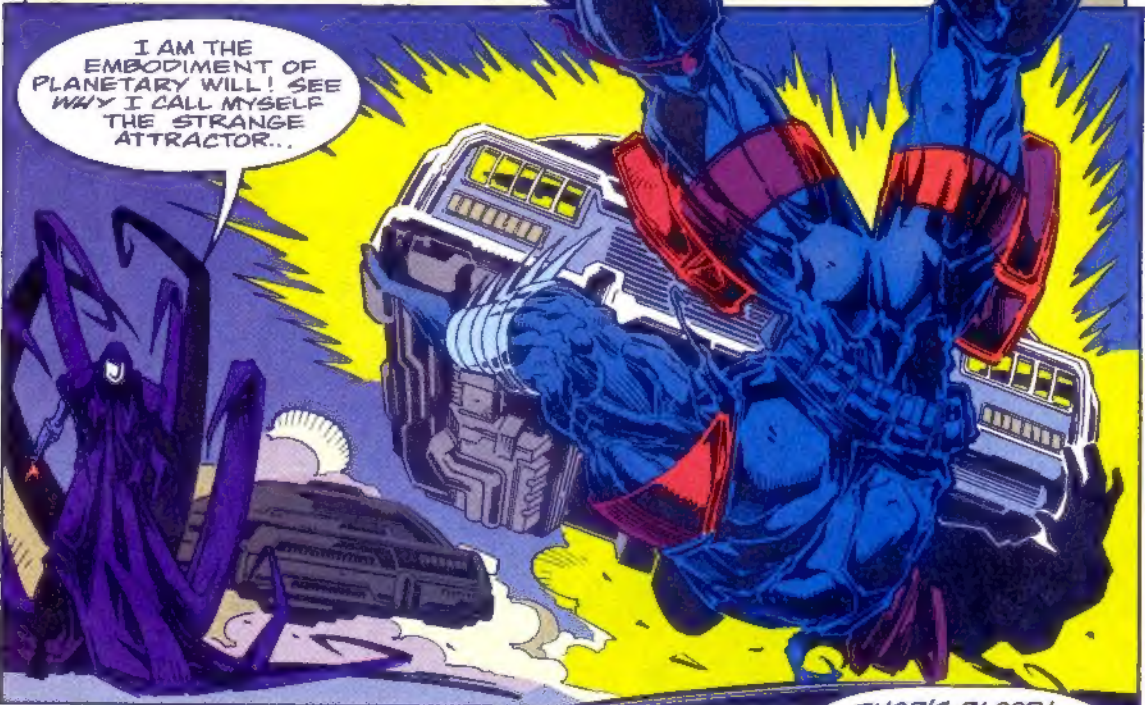


JERK! YOU THINK THIS IS THE FIRST TIME I'VE DEALT WITH A POWER-SWORD?

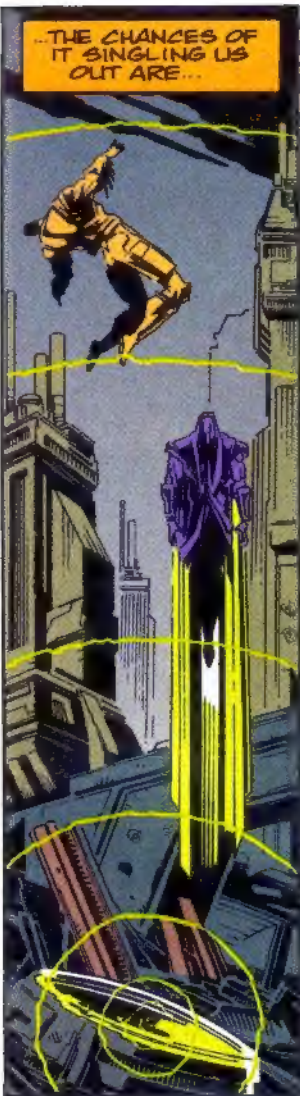


THE SYNCHRONICITY THING WAS A NICE TRICK BUT WHEN IT COMES TO VIOLENCE, YOU'RE TALKING MY LANGUAGE!

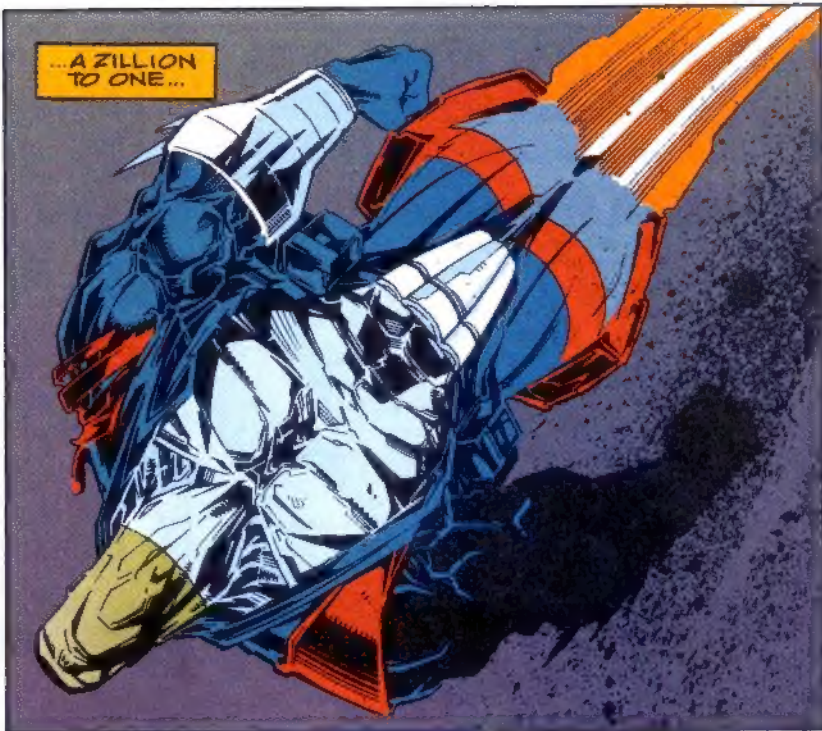




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IT SINGLING US
OUT ARE...



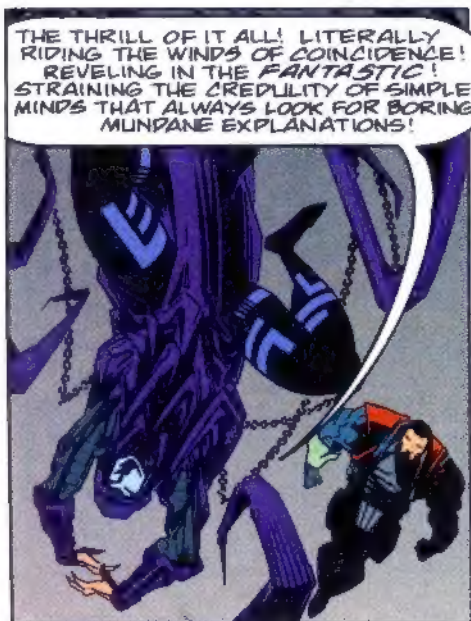
...A ZILLION
TO ONE...



...LIKE EVERY-
THING ELSE
THAT HAPPENS
TO THIS
CREEP!

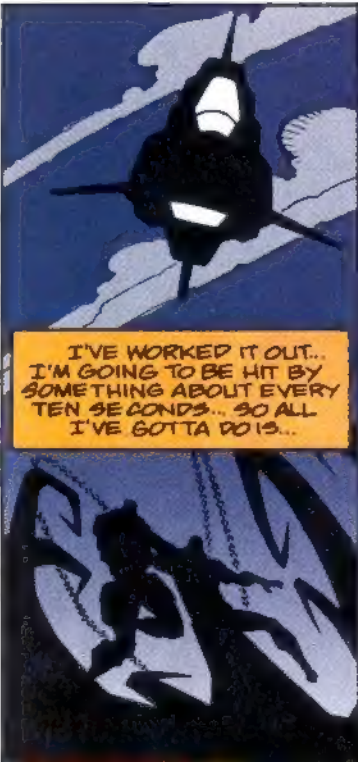


THE THRILL OF IT ALL! LITERALLY
RIDING THE WINDS OF COINCIDENCE!
REVELING IN THE FANTASTIC!
STRAINING THE CREDULITY OF SIMPLE
MINDS THAT ALWAYS LOOK FOR BORING
MUNDANE EXPLANATIONS!

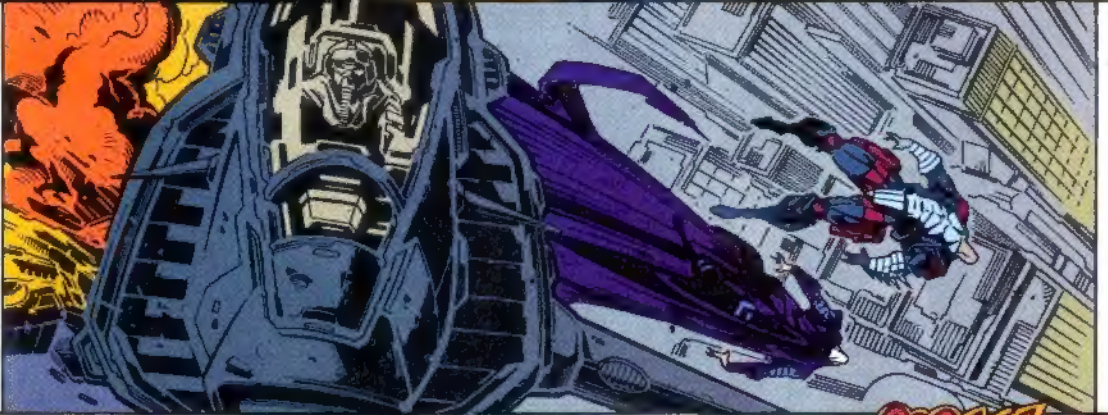


HEY,
BIG MOUTH!
LOOK WHAT'S
COMING OUR
WAY!





I'VE WORKED IT OUT..
I'M GOING TO BE HIT BY
SOMETHING ABOUT EVERY
TEN SECONDS... SO ALL
I'VE GOTTA DO IS...



WE'LL BOTH
HIT THE GROUND,
BUT MY POWER
SUIT WILL...



OOOFF!

...INERTIA
ACCUMULATORS
TAKE THE
ENERGY...

...HOW
ABOUT
YOU?



NEXT!

48 PAGES! FOIL-EMBOSSED COVER!
THE RETURN of VENDETTA *plus*
AN ALL-NEW VILLAIN!